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# **HOUSE BILL NO. 258**

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

## **AN ACT**

To amend chapter 37, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to the accountability of public funds.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 37, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 37.851, to read as follows:

37.851. 1. The general assembly and every department or division of the executive branch of the state, including the office of any statewide elected official and any executive branch appointee, shall document and make easily available to the public on the Missouri accountability portal established under section 37.850, the following information for all contracts entered into greater than two thousand five hundred dollars for the provision of legal services by a private law firm:

- (1) The dollar amount of each such contract; and
- (2) A brief summary of the legal services to be provided by the firm.
- 2. As used in this section, "executive branch appointee" shall include any member of any task force, advisory committee, board, commission, or other body or persons appointed by, named by, or at the direction of an executive branch official.
- 3. The office of administration shall promulgate rules to implement the provisions of this section which relate to any executive department or agency. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010 that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536, and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly

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- 18 pursuant to chapter 536, to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul
- 19 a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and

20 any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2017, shall be invalid and void.

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